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Fisheries

Inspectors and Petty Yard officers in the Fisheries Department on the West Coast.

*787 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) the number of inspectors, sub-inspectors, and petty yard officers employed at present in the Fisheries Department on the West Coast and the communities to which they belong;

(b) whether efforts have ever been made to recruit these officers from among the fisherfolk community;

(c) whether there are any orders of Government requiring the appointing authorities to give preference to candidates belonging to the fishermen community; and

(d) if the answer to (c) is in the negative, whether the Government propose to issue such orders?

A.—(a) A statement [a] furnishing the required information is appended.

(b) & (c) Preference is always given to applicants from the fishermen and other backward classes.

(d) They do not propose to issue any special orders in view of the answer to clauses (b) and (c) above.

Mr. A. B. SHETTY:—"May I know whether the Government are aware that there are sufficient number of qualified men among the fishermen community to fill the posts of inspectors, sub-inspectors and petty yard officers in the Fisheries Department?"

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR:—"Yes, Sir."

Mr. A. B. SHETTY:—"In view of the fact that only a small proportion of these posts is held by these men will the Government be pleased to issue a special order and see that qualified men of this community are given preference in filling up vacancies in these posts in future?"

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR:—"Yes. Preference will be given to qualified men from the community."

Industries

Number and location of trade schools in this Presidency.

*788 Q.—Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) whether there are any trades schools in this Presidency; and

(b) if so, the number and the locality where each is working?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) One at Madras.

Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI:—"May I know whether the Government propose to start any other trades school anywhere in the Presidency?"

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR:—"Yes, we intend to start one more at Mangalore."

[a] Printed as Appendix II on page 361 infra.